

E.A. THOMPSON D.G.CO.

Our January Clearing Sale
is Bigger and Better than ever before!
Bigger Sales for us and better
bargains for our customers
New things being added all the time!

Here are some of the latest,
 and there are many more

90-inch linen Sheeting, 78c yd.

New Corsets, worth \$1.00,
 sale price 50c each

Ladies' and children's shoes,
 \$1.00 pair

Percales, 28 inches wide, 5c yd.

Childrens' double knee hose,
 8c pair

10 per cent discount
 on all kid gloves

Special Sale prices on Dress Goods,
Silks, Linens, Sheetings, Shirtings,
Ginghams, Rugs, Shoes, in fact
almost our whole stock.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather and resulting light Christmas trade, I am left with too much perishable stock on hand, consequently until Feb. 7 I will make a reduction in prices of my standard work as follows: 33 1-3 on all new work up to \$3.00 per dozen. 10 per cent on all new work over \$3.00 per dozen. This does not include post cards or negatives made outside the studio. A new photo holder and New Year Souvenir to first fifty sittings.

Miss Belle Johnson.

Rev. H. H. Johnson knows what kind of work W. L. Bond does and for that reason wants him to go to Malden and bid on a church building there. It pays to do good work.

John Clawson, deputy game warden for the Second Congressional District went to St. Louis Tuesday night to attend a conference of Game Warden Jones and all the deputies.

The Hurd school house near Florida burned Tuesday night. Entire loss, no insurance. It had only last fall been remodelled and refurnished. Loss about \$700.

J. S. Conway left Friday for Crossett and other points in Arkansas. He expected to be gone about two weeks. Mrs. Conway accompanied him as far as St. Louis.

Fulton fishermen could not desist from the sport during the fine weather last week.

A. A. Barton and wife of Hannibal, visited her sister, Miss Ina McNamara part of the week, leaving Friday for a short visit in Clarence.

Cockerels For Sale.

I have a few high scoring Cockerels for sale. Come and see them if you are looking for nice birds, won 1st at Monroe City fair. Phone 182.—Mrs. Jas. Smith. 2-5

One of William Berlin's valuable mares died recently.

Dr. J. R. Dawson was in St. Louis yesterday.

Mrs. Lee Pierceall left yesterday for Davis where she was called by the illness of Otis Norton who is in a very serious condition. Mr. Norton underwent two operations in St. Louis early in the winter which have perhaps prolonged his life but there is little hope of his recovery. Mrs. Norton was formerly Miss Myrtle Jones who is well known and has many friends in this community.

Veterinarian Moved

Dr. R. L. Buell, The Veterinarian, has moved his office from the Brick Barn to Yates & Yates Livery. Residence Phones: F. & M. 262, Bell 273

Homer Kenney, wife and daughter who have been visiting Price Young and wife, left Saturday for Hannibal. After a short visit there and in St. Louis they will spend some time with relatives and friends in Indiana and Ohio. They expect to stop here on their way to their home in Hamilton, Montana.

If you don't use an overcoat until next winter, you can't afford to miss the opportunity to get one at the present prices Hanly & Green are making.

Miss Allena Kinsey returned to Hannibal after a two weeks visit with friends in this city. Mrs. D. S. Sharp accompanied her, returning that evening.

For Sale—20 shoats, \$3.00 per head. Also steel stump puller. Apply to Ed Keiffer, Route 2, Monroe. 1-29.

Mrs. Henry Carson, of Ridgeville, Conn., spent Tuesday with her uncle, S. T. Pollard and family.

Mrs. A. S. Maddox spent part of the week in Shelby with her daughter, Mrs. T. E. Hardesty.

Timothy Seed For Sale.—Price \$2.00 per bushel.—Leo Bell. 1-29.

O. H. Berry and wife, of Hannibal spent part of the week with J. M. Berry and wife.

Mrs. Cleve Finnigan spent Thursday with Mrs. Guy Osborne.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of extending our thanks to those who so kindly assisted us in our bereavement, especially members of I. O. O. F. May God continue to make their hearts a shining light is our prayer.

J. T. Lee and Family.

Mrs. W. H. Norton of Kansas City arrived Saturday to visit V. S. Corder's family. Tuesday, she with Miss Pearl Corder went to Ely to visit James Lear's family.

Norvin Yates and Dr. J. D. Scobee went to Kirksville Monday for treatment at A. S. O. Hospital.

R. K. Noland is in Quincy attending the Tri-State Harness Maker's Convention which is in session there.

Mrs. Mark Smith of near Hunnewell, visited her mother, Mrs. Julia Lewis, the last of the week.

New features every day at J. B. Anderson's Big Clearing Sale.

Miss Lenora Welch returned to St. Louis Tuesday after a ten days visit with her parents, B. F. Welch and wife.

Dr. W. B. A. McNutt has purchased of Mrs. Aaron Boulware, her home on Vine Street. It is one of the handsomest and most convenient homes in the city. Personally, we regret losing our good neighbors.

A Hanly & Green overcoat would feel good this kind of weather. Better come and get one at the sale price.

Rev. H. D. Thompson, Presiding Elder of Hannibal District of the M. E. Church, South, spent Monday in this city.

Mrs. T. P. Middleton returned to her home in St. Joseph, Friday after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Mary L. Rouse.

Only a few more days of Hanly & Green's big suit and overcoat sale.

J. J. Dimmitt of Shelby, spent Saturday in this city.

DEMOCRAT'S BIG CONTEST

Will Close at 1 P. M. Tuesday, January 27. Only a Few More Days in Which to Work For the

BEAUTIFUL PIANO

Last Struggle for the Capital Prize Now at Its Height. Many Other Prizes.

There are now but a few more days in which the candidates engaged in the Democrat's popular voting contest have to work for the several prizes offered. The voting comes to an end on Tuesday, January 27 at 1 o'clock, and immediately thereafter the count will be commenced to see who shall be declared the winner of the handsome Obermeyer piano and the other beautiful and useful articles offered to those who are making an endeavor to land the premiums. It is not believed by those who have given the matter careful thought that any particular person has the grand prize cinched at the present time, but there are several in the race who have a good chance to land it if they only will hustle.

If you have not yet seen the fine piano offered in this contest go to Southern & Spalding's store and take a look. Many of our citizens have examined the instrument as to its quality and appearance and there is yet the first one to say that it is not a fine one. It is of a plain rich mahogany, and a prettier piano was never unloaded at Monroe City. Musicians of this vicinity have tested it as to its quality of tone and volume and every one of them say it is fine as silk.

There are several young ladies who appear to have the best of the contest but none of them have a sure cinch of being the ultimate owner of the first prize. If one of these contestants who is way down the list should take it into her head that she was going to win the big premium she could do so. She would have to do some work to make it, but that was what was expected when the contest opened. Several bunches of seven new subscribers or renewals in the groups of seven would put the lowest candidate in the race up among the leaders.

Miss Lizzie Miles was in the lead at the last count. Several others are well to the front and are putting forth every effort on the home stretch to win the coveted prize. Either of these ladies can land the prize if they will take the time to get out and solicit new subscriptions and renewals. Every bunch of seven new subscriptions means 12,200 votes and seven renewals will bring 9,500 votes, and the way to win is to get these new subscriptions and renewals, as they count up rapidly and carry with them the big bonus offers which contestants should be seeking.

From now until the close of the contest, which will be on Tuesday, January 27, we will give the following bonuses. These will positively be the last bonus offers, and they will hold good until the close of the contest:

For every 7 new subscriptions we give a bonus of 8,000 extra votes.

For every 7 renewals, 6,000 extra votes.

For every 7 back subscriptions 4,000 extra votes.

For every 3 new five-year subscriptions, 25,000 extra votes making a total of 40, votes. The three five-year subscriptions may be for one, two or three parties.

For every 2 twenty-year subscriptions, 75,000 extra votes, making a total of 135,000 votes.

For every 40 twenty-five-vote merchant's coupons we will give a bonus of 1,000 extra votes.

These merchants' coupons may be collected from any and all merchants who are giving coupons, and must be brought to the Democrat office in bunches of forty tickets to be counted by the publisher or one of his assistants before the coupons will be issued.

Tuesday, January 27, the voting will cease and the final count will be made that evening. This is but a short time ahead and it is worth the while of the candidates to get out among the people and work like Trojans from now until the ballot box is closed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of the day mentioned. No ballots will be received after 1 o'clock under any circumstances, no matter who may have them or what excuse they may present for not getting them in at the proper time.

The contest is on the square and there is to be a fair field and no favorites.

All bonus votes that are to be cast must be accompanied by the number of coupons stated on the bonus or bonus votes will not be counted or allowed to be given to the contestants.

Remember there are many handsome prizes given by various merchants around town. After the piano is awarded, the next contest has first choice of the other prizes. The next one has second choice and so on until all are claimed.

The following merchants give a coupon with every one dollar cash purchase to those who ask for them. Get your tickets when you buy your goods. No tickets given on accounts.

Southern & Spalding
 German & Son
 J. B. Anderson
 Anderson & Mudd
 Grand Leader Variety Store
 L. M. Wood

The present standing is as follows:

Lizzie Miles	58,575
Agnes Mudd	48,441 3-4
Virginia Fields	26,412 1-2
Lucy Zeiger	20,125
Alena Knott	14,878 1-2
Catherine Lawless	10,725
Gladys Young	5,425

Directors Who Direct!

The men who compose the Board of Directors of the

Monroe City Bank

are fully alive to the responsibilities of their position and their duty to the people who do business with this strong institution.

In watching the interests of this bank they are carefully guarding Yours. They are at all times closely in touch with the affairs of this bank and take a keen interest in the progress, growth and welfare of this community.

They are in reality DIRECTORS WHO DIRECT.

Friday night Simps Garrett and wife and Earl Garrett and wife, who live about 7 1-2 miles north of this city, had gone to bed when several young people of the neighborhood went to the Garrett home as a surprise party and the surprise was complete. The occasion was a pleasant one and all enjoyed the evening.

The P. E. O.'s will meet Saturday with Mrs. Laura Boulware.